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The following cases of contagious diseases have been officially reported during the month: Enteric fever, 3; measles, 59; scarlet fever, 2; diphtheria, 2.

The mortality for the past month shows a difference of only one in excess as compared with that of March, 1905. The principal cause of death, as usual, has been tuberculosis, followed by diseases of the respiratory system, as will be noted by the following summary report:

Mortality, month of April, 1905.

| Disease. | Number of deaths. |
|---|-------------------|
| Measles | 2 |
| Tuberculosis | 16 |
| Scarlet fever | 2 |
| Anthrax | 1 |
| Syphilis | 1 |
| Grippe | 4 |
| Cancer | 3 |
| Diseases of the nervous system | 4 |
| Diseases of the circulatory system | 14 |
| Diseases of the respiratory system | 5 |
| Diseases of the digestive system | 14 |
| Diseases of the genito-urinary system | 5 |
| Puerperal state | 2 |
| Other causes | 2 |
| Total | 74 |

Annual average of mortality per mille, 18.51.

Report from Santiago—Inspection of vessels—Site for immigration station to be selected—Mortuary statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, April 26, as follows:

During the week ended April 22, 1905, bills of health were issued to 5 vessels bound for the United States.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.

The secretary of the superior board of health of the island is here on an inspection tour to select a good place for an immigration station.

Mortuary report for the week ended April 22, 1905.

| Causes of death. | Number. | Bertillon number. |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Malarial fever | 1 | 4 |
| Malarial cachexia | 1 | 4 |
| Tubercle of lungs | 5 | 27 |
| Tubercular meningitis | 1 | 29 |
| Cancer of uterus | 2 | 42 |
| Diabetic gangrene | 1 | 50 |
| Anæmia | 1 | 54 |
| Meningitis | 2 | 61 |
| Organic heart disease | 2 | 79 |
| Arterio-sclerosis | 1 | 81 |
| Pleuro-pneumonia | 1 | 93 |
| Acute enteritis, under 2 years | 1 | 105 |
| Chronic enteritis | 1 | 105a |
| Bright's disease | 2 | 120 |
| Pylonephritis | 1 | 121 |
| Rupture of uterus | 1 | 136 |
| Congenital debility | 1 | 151 |
| Ill defined or unspecified | 1 | 179 |
| Total | 26 | |

Annual rate of mortality for the week, 29.71 per 1,000. Estimated population, 45,500.